State	District	Nos.
Punjab	Amritsar	1
	Mohali	1
	Bhatinda	1
	Ludhiana	1
	Jalandhar	1
	Patiala	1
	Faridkot	1
	Moga	1
Haryana	Panchkula	1
	Gurgaon	1
NCT of Delhi	New Delhi (in Shastri Bhawan)	1
Rajasthan	Jaipur	2
	Alwar	1
	TOTAL	14

(b) Jan Aushadhi Outlets have been opened by Pharma Central Public Sector Undertakings with the co-operation of State Governments in District Hospitals identified by the States. These Outlets are managed by State Government or Non-Government Organisations (NGOs), reputed Charitable Societies like Red Cross Society etc.

(c) The opening of Jan Aushadhi Outlets depends on the facilities that may be offered by the States in District Hospitals etc. Government has plans to open 270 Jan Aushadhi Outlets in 2009-10.

(d) The unbranded generic medicines are sold in Jan Aushadhi Outlets in specially designed packs. The sale price is printed on the strips/labels. Further software has been provided to these Outlets enabling them to account for purchase and sales.

Pending consumer cases

*487. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases pending in the National and State Consumer fora in the country;

(b) whether there is any time limit prescribed for disposal of cases by the various types of consumer fora;

(c) if so, the details as regards the time limit fixed; and

(d) the nature of consumer awareness programme, if any, carried out in the State of Goa since the establishment of consumer fora at the State and District levels?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) The number of cases pending in the National Commission and State Commissions in the country, **as on 03.08.2009**, as informed by National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC), is as follows:

National Commission	State Commission	Total
8588	110610	119198

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Section 13 (3A) of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 provides that every complaint shall be heard as expeditiously as possible and endeavour shall be made to decide the complaint within a period of three months from the date of receipt of notice by opposite party where the complaint does not require analysis or testing of commodities and within five months, if it requires analysis or testing of commodities.

(d) In the State of Goa, a Multi-Media Consumer Awareness Campaign 'Jago Grahak Jago' is being carried out. Electronic and print Media are being utilized for the same. Grant-in-Aid has also been released to the State for carrying awareness activities. Song and Drama Division of Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has also been involved in creating consumer awareness.

Funds have also been given through the Consumer Welfare Fund to educational institutions for the purpose of holding seminars/workshops/festivals etc. for consumer awareness activities.

National pharma policy

*488. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is working to revive a ministerial panel which was set up to finalise national pharmaceutical policy that has been hotly contested;

(b) if so, whether the Ministry had recommended constitution of a Group of Ministers (GoMs) to resolve differences that had delayed the policy;

(c) if so, whether the draft policy prepared after consultation with GoMs unveiled in 2006 contained proposal to bring all 354 essential drugs under price control;

(d) if so, whether the policy was opposed by pharmaceutical industry; and

(e) by when decision to set up a new GoMs would be taken and the final policy announced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SRIKANT JENA): (a) to (e) The draft National Pharmaceuticals Policy 2006 was